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TAGS: AORG, SWEL, UN

SUBJ: UN DISASTER RELIEF OPERATIONS

REF: A) GENEVA A-36 B) STATE 036330

1. WE HAVE STUDIED WITH INTEREST YOUR THOUGHTFUL REPORT  
REF A PARTICULARLY WITH A VIEW TO INCREASING EFFECTIVENESS  
OF RECENTLY ESTABLISHED UN DISASTER RELIEF OFFICE ( UNDRO).  
WE ALSO AWARE THAT MEMBERS OF STAFF, DRAWN FROM VARIOUS  
SOURCES WITHIN AND OUTSIDE UN SYSTEM, HAVE SLIGHT EXPERI-  
ENCE DISASTER RELIEF FIELD.

2. IN THIS REGARD REFTEL B BEING REPEATED FOR YOUR INFO.  
IT WOULD APPEAR ANNUAL AID DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND RELIEF  
SEMINAR PROVIDES UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR APPROPRIATE UNDRO  
OFFICIALS ASSIST IN IMPROVING EFFECTIVENESS THIS AREA. THE  
SEMINAR IS TO BRING TOGETHER DISASTER RELIEF ADMINISTRATORS  
FROM SEVERAL COUNTRIES IN ORDER ENHANCE CAPABILITY DEVELOP  
AND IMPROVE NATIONAL DISASTER PLANS AND DISASTER PREPARED-  
NESS; CONDUCT DISASTER RELIEF OPERATIONS; INITIATE REHA-  
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BILITATION AND RECONSTRUCTION MEASURES; AND ESTABLISH A DISASTER RELIEF SYSTEM THAT WILL BE READY IF AND WHEN DISASTER STRIKES. PROGRAM OFFERS SUBSTANTIVE TRAINING PLUS SUPPLEMENTAL EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCE AND PROBLEMS WITH SENIOR FOREIGN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WHO HAVE MAJOR RESPONSIBILITY FOR DIRECTING NATIONAL DISASTER PLANNING AND RELIEF.

3. PROGRAM WOULD REQUIRE ATTENDANCE AT SEMINAR IN U. S. DURING PERIOD JUNE 5 - JULY 13, 1973. WORKING KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH OR SPANISH ESSENTIAL. UNDRO PARTICIPANT WOULD BE EXPECTED TO MAKE SEMINAR PRESENTATION RE UNDRO OPERATIONS, PLANS, GOALS, AND TO ENGAGE IN INTERCHANGE OF IDEAS, EXPERIENCES IN DISASTER PREPAREDNESS WITH PARTICIPANTS AND OTHER LECTURERS.

4. WITHOUT ALERTING UNDRO TO PROPOSAL AT THIS TIME, MISSION COMMENTS ON ABOVE AND SUGGESTED NOMINATIONS REQUESTED. WE AWARE UNDRO HAS NO ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS TO COVER COST OF STAFF PARTICIPATION IN SUCH PROGRAM. SHOULD MISSION CONCUR ON DESIRABILITY OF UNDRO PARTICIPATION, AID MIGHT BE WILLING ALLOCATE FROM DISASTER RELIEF PROGRAM FUNDS COST OF TRAVEL AND PER DIEM FOR UNDRO REPRESENTATION.  
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